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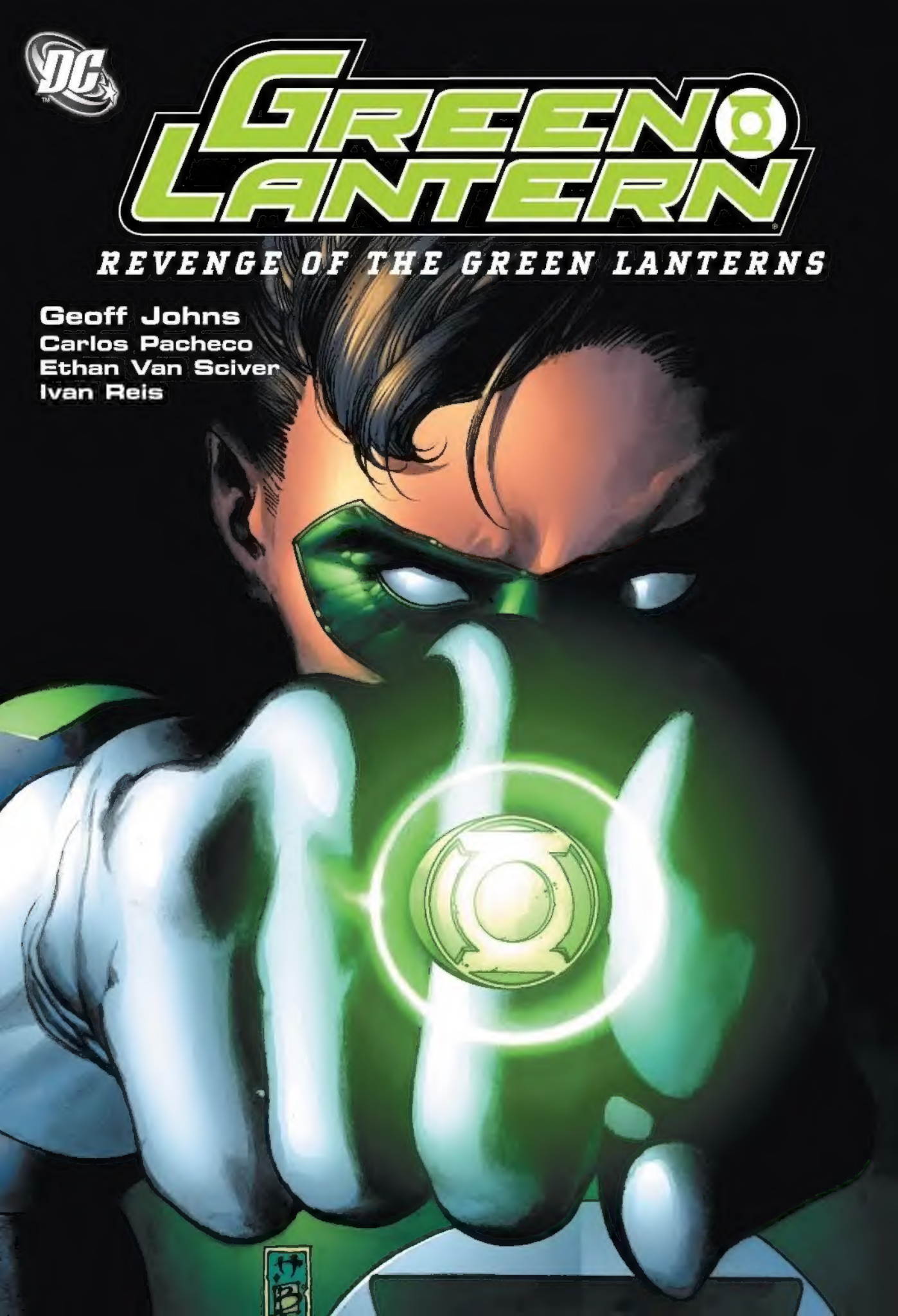

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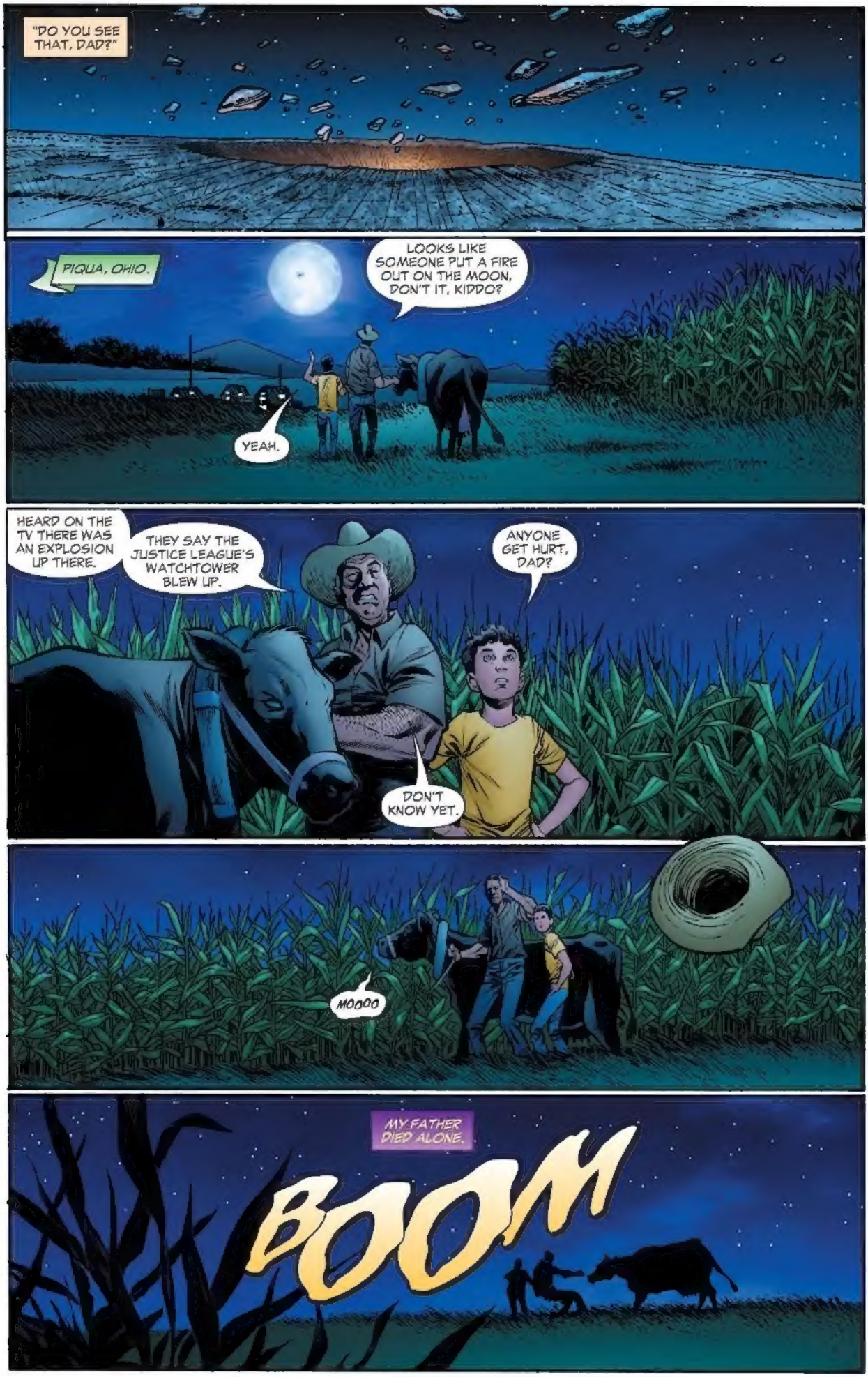
"DO YOU SEE THAT, DAD?"
PIQUA, OHIO.
LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE PUT A FIRE OUT ON THE MOON, DON'T IT, KIDDO?
YEAH.
HEARD ON THE TV THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION UP THERE.
THEY SAY THE JUSTICE LEAGUE'S WATCHTOWER BLEW UP.
ANYONE GET HURT, DAD?
DON'T KNOW YET.
MOOOO
MY FATHER DIED ALONE.
BOOM

HE DIED ON THIS PLANET.
A PRIMITIVE SYSTEM HE BECAME OBSESSED WITH.
I DO NOT TRY TO UNDERSTAND WHY.
BUT IF HE DEEMED EARTH WORTH CONQUERING, THEN IT SHALL BE DONE.
BUT IN THE CODE OF HONOR AND BLOOD HE LIVED BY.
I KNOW WHAT MERCY IS, FATHER...
...AND I SHALL GIVE IT.

COAST CITY.
TODAY.
THEY SAY FOR EVERY TWO THAT HAVE BEEN MOVIN' TO "GHOST" CITY, YA GOT ONE THAT LEAVES.
NOT OUR PROBLEM. AND QUITE FRANKLY, I DON'T BLAME THEM.
NOTHIN' SPECIAL ABOUT THIS PLACE ANY--
SNAP
FOOOM
AAHH!
FSSS
THUNK
HNN!

AFTERNOON.
Uh... YEAH.
A Perfect Life

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE LIVING HERE, HAL.
WHERE ELSE WOULD I GO?
THERE'S NO RAIN. NO SMOG.
THERE'S ALSO NO PEOPLE.
WEREN'T YOU ALWAYS TELLING ME OVERPOPULATION WAS A PROBLEM, OLLIE?
I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE THINKING
YOU'RE BACK AFTER YEARS OF BEING AWAY, YOU FINALLY GOT YOUR FREEDOM AGAIN...
-AND THE FIRST TWO THINGS YOU DO ARE SET UP WATCH OVER REBUILDING A CITY YOU STILL BLAME YOURSELF FOR...AND WORSE...
...YOU JOIN THE DAMN AIR FORCE.
DON'T YOU THINK YOU SHOULD'VE TAKEN SOME TIME OFF FROM DUTY AND RESPONSIBILITY?
I'M NOT THE ONE WHO DOESN'T LIKE RESPONSIBILITY
TELL THAT TO THE GIRLS.
YOU TOO, ROMEO
JOHN, HOW'S OA?
I CAN'T CHARGE MY RING WITHOUT ELBOWING A NEW RECRUIT BUT...
EXCUSE ME, >R
I TOLD YOU, I DON'T HAVE DESPERO'S PAPERWORK. SALAKK

HAL WAS THERE WITH THE LEAGUE WHEN THEY TOOK ON DESPERO.
THAT KALANORIAN BROKE OVER SEVEN-HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX LAWS WITHIN THE BOOK OF OA.
I NEED THE WITNESS RECORDS.
SIT WISE TO PROVOKE SUCH A CREATURE, GUY GARDNER?
KLAAK
HELL, NO, GREEN.
BUT IT'S FUN.
INITIATING DOWNLOAD TO CENTRAL POWER BATTERY CACHE FILE DESPERO.
WHAT'S IT DOING?
THE RINGS AUTOMATICALLY COLLECT EVIDENCE FOR PROSECUTION. THEY RECORD AROUND US BETWEEN CHARGES. LIKE OUR RUN-IN WITH DESPERO--
SO THOSE RINGS ARE LIKE THE CAMERAS IN COP CARS?
IT'S A HOLOGRAM PLAYBACK, BUT YEAH
YOU'RE OKAY WITH BIG BROTHER RECORDING EVERY MOMENT OF YOUR LIFE WHEN YOU'RE WEARING THAT RING?
THE ONLY ONES PARANOID ABOUT BIG BROTHER WATCHING, OLLIE
--ARE THE GUYS DOING SOMETHING WRONG.

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TELL HIM I'M KINDA SURPRISED HE NEEDED THE LEAGUE'S HELP TAKIN' THIS PINK PILE OF TRASH DOWN
I MEAN, I KNOW DESPERO'S TOUGH, BUT I MANAGED TO RUB HIS FACE IN THE MUD MYSELF BACK WHEN MY LEAGUE TOOK HIM ON.
THAT'S NOT HOW BATMAN TELLS IT
HEY, POINT IS, LOOKS LIKE MISTER IRON WILL IS STILL A LITTLE RUSTY.
RING.
IGNORE GUY GARDNER.
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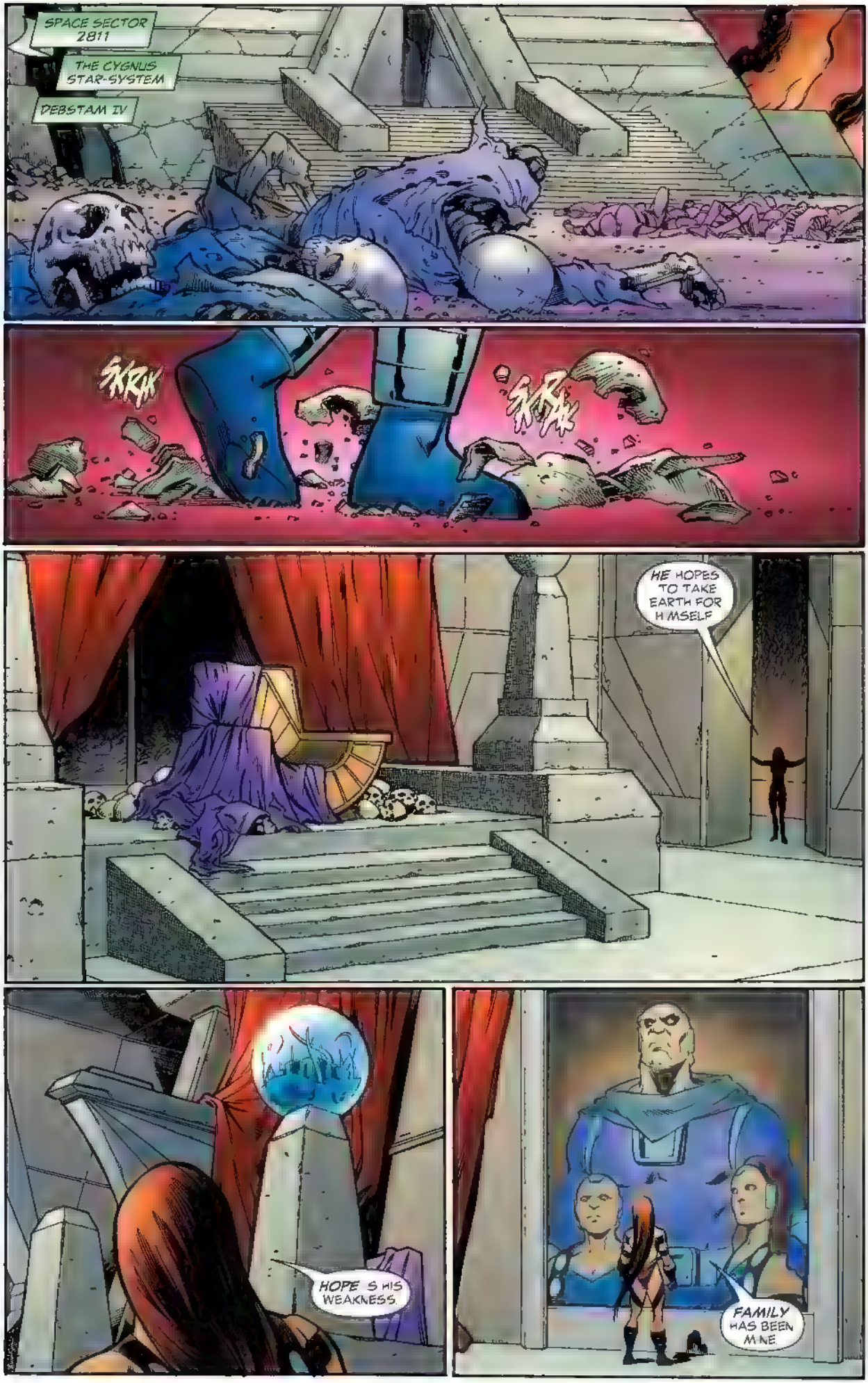
WOW. USEFUL.
ONE OF MY FAVORITE FEATURES
ANY SIGN OF J'ONN?
OR WHO BLEW UP THE WATCHTOWER?
WHO?
MONGUL.

MONGUL?
HE'S IN OUR SECTOR?
WHERE?
SUPERMAN THERE A[illegible] GRABBED SOMETHING FROM WHAT WAS LEFT OF THE TROPHY ROOM
THEN HE ESCAPED.
SUPERMAN, BATMAN AND WONDER WOMAN WERE THERE ...AND HE ESCAPED?
THE TELEPORTATION SYSTEM WAS ON TS LAST LEGS, BUT I MANAGED TO UPLOAD THE COORD NATES HE JUMPED TO, HAL.
RING.
DOWNLOAD THE COORDINATES FROM JOHN'S RING.
LOCAT ON CO ED
HEY--!
APPREC ATE THE HEADS UP, JOHN. THIS ONE'S OURS
YOU GOT IT, HAL.
JOHN STEWART OUT.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SKRIK
SKRAK
HE HOPES TO TAKE EARTH FOR HIMSELF
HOPE IS HIS WEAKNESS
FAMILY HAS BEEN MINE

HAL!
HAL, SLOW DOWN!
YOU KNOW WHAT THIS ALIEN'S CAPABLE OF.
WE SHOULD CALL FOR BACK-UP.
WHO? THERE'S NO LEAGUE AND JOHN WON'T BE BACK FOR HOURS.
BUT MONGUL'S
MONGUL'S THE REASON MY LIFE FELL APART, OLLIE.
MONGUL DESTROYED COAST CITY...
HE MURDERED MILLIONS OF PEOPLE.
IT WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE END
THE GUY WE'RE GOING AFTER IS MONGUL'S SON. HIM AND HIS SISTER SHOWED UP WHILE YOU WERE GONE.
AND YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT
YEAH, BUT I CAN'T LET HIM TERRORIZE ANYONE ELSE
I CAN'T LET HIS NAME BECOME SOMETHING PEOPLE FEAR
HE'S THE SYMBOL OF EVERYTHING THAT'S KEEPING COAST CITY EMPTY.
INCOMING RE-ENTRY CRAFT
HELLO? HAL?
JIM? EVERYTHING OKAY?
NOT REALLY

JORDAN INSURANCE
IT'S HOWARD'S TENTH BIRTHDAY THIS WEEKEND. AND IT'D BE NICE IF YOU CAME TO HIS PARTY.
THERE'S ONLY FOUR KIDS IN HIS CLASS, TEN IN HIS ENTIRE SCHOOL, AND...
...I DON'T THINK ANYONE'S COMING. HE'S PRETTY UPSET.
HE COULD USE HIS UNCLE--
I'LL DO MY BEST TO BE THERE.
THAT'S WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT DINNER LAST WEEK. HOWARD'S BIRTHDAY--
PARTIES AREN'T ON THE TOP OF MY PRIORITY LIST RIGHT NOW.
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT PARTIES, HAL.
WE'VE BEEN HERE FOR WEEKS AND WE'VE ONLY SEEN YOU-
I'LL TRY TO MAKE IT.
YEAH.
WHAT ELSE IS NEW, BRO?
A LITTLE SHORT WITH YOUR BROTHER
I'LL MAKE IT UP TO HIM.
I USED TO SAY THAT ABOUT MY SON. ABOUT CONNOR.
DO YOU SEE THAT?
I SEE IT.

...BUT WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY?
AND WHAT ARE THEY DOING TO THESE COWS?

RING. SCAN. PERFORM.
SCANNING.
OLLIE, I KNOW I'M BEING OVERANXIOUS HERE BUT I FINALLY...
.. I'VE GOT EVERYTHING I WANT AGAIN.
THAT'S A PRETTY BOLD STATEMENT.
SCANNING COMPLETE
BLACK MERCY PARASITIC PLANT. POINT OF ORIGIN SPACE SECTOR 2811
PARASITE FEEDS OFF HOST'S BIO ELECTRIC AURA UNTIL ORGANISM DIES
USUALLY ATTACHES ITSELF TO HOST WITH MAIN ROOTS WHILE NEEDLE-LIKE VINES ENTER THE SKIN AND FUSE WITH THE NERVOUS SYSTEM
I'LL NEVER FORGET EVERYONE WHO D'ED
BECAUSE OF MONGUL AND THAT CYBORG
..BECAUSE OF ME.
PLEASURE CENTERS OF BRAIN ARE FLOODED WITH NANO-SPORES CREATING A LIFELIKE FANTASY IN PERFECT CONJUNCTION WITH HOST'S DESIRES, LEAVING IT UNAWARE OF ANY DANGER
APPROACH WITH CAUTION
YOU NEED TO GET ALL OF THIS OFF YOUR SHOULDERS. IT WAS COMPLICATED--
IT WAS.. OH, MY GOD ..
LOOK
THOSE POOR PEOPLE.
OLLIE, WE NEED TO--
THEY'RE PATHETIC.

THOOM
AND YOU TWO WILL FALL JUST LIKE YOUR PRECIOUS THREE.
UNNN!
AAR!
KRAK
BWOOSH
THEY NEED WATER.
SPLOOSH
GLLBB!

AND THEY NEED FOOD.
--HKKEF--
IT ONLY HURTS AT FIRST
BUT IT DOES HURT.
R-rgg.
G-GET... THE HELL AWAY.

YOU HEARD HIM.
SHUNK
GET THE HELL AWAY!
SHOW
ARG

THINGS ARE HUNGRY.
CAN YOU EXTINGUISH THE FIRE?
WOOSH
AS SOON AS I MAKE SURE THOSE THINGS ARE DEAD.
GREEN LANTERN!
WITHOUT MY ARMOR, YOUR RING IS POWERLESS--
MAYBE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, THE NEWS, MONGUL

...MY RING WORKS ON YELLOW!
KRAAGH!
SHUNK
SHUNK
SHUNK
SHUNK

WHAT DID YOU DO TO THOSE PEOPLE?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
TO FIN SH MY FATHER'S WORK...
. TO CONQUER EARTH...
"CONQUER EARTH?"
YOU KNOW F I HAD A NICKEL FOR EVERY TIME I HEARD AN AL'EN SAY THAT I'D BE RICH AGAI--
OLLIE, STAY BACK UNTIL--
SWWIPP
AAH--!
OLLIE!
WATCH OUT!

WHAT'S THIS SUPPOSED TO DO?
TICKLE?
RING SAID IT WAS SUPPOSED TO PUT YOU IN A DREAM WORLD. GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT.
I TOLD YOU.
SHRRP
SHRRP
SHRRP
SHRRP
YOU ALREADY GOT EVERYTHING YOU WANT. GUESS YOU WERE--
HEY, DAD!

THERE YOU ARE! MOM SENT ME TO GET YOU.
SHE'S STARTED HAVING CONTRACTIONS
THAT'S MY CUE. I BETTER GET GOING, HAL.
GIVE YOUR MOM MY LOVE, CONNOR.
YOU GOT IT, HAL.
LOOK AT HIM. I REMEMBER WHEN HE WAS STILL SPEEDY
YOU'RE GROWING UP WAY TO FAST FOR ME, KID
ALL RIGHT, DAD..
NOT IN FRONT OF HAL.
YOU TWO HAVE A GREAT RIDE BACK
I'M GOING TO GET THIS GUY TO OA, TAKE A SPIN BACK TO KORLGAR.
YOU CALL ME AS SOON AS THAT NEW KID OF YOURS SHOWS
WILL DO, PAL.
INCOMING RE-ENTRY CALL
HAL?
HEY, DAD

I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT YOU
A TIME LATER SURE
I'LL CALL JOHNNY HE'LL GET US ON THE FLIGHT LINE
LOOKING FORWARD TO IT DAD
NEVER MISSED A BIRTHDAY CONNOR SINCE THE DAY YOU WERE BORN.
NO ONE LIVES A PERFECT LIFE.
NOT EVEN YOU, HAL JORDAN

STAR CITY.
N CE SHOT, DAD!
HEY, MOM.
DAD S HOME!
YOU TWO ARE BACK EARLY.
SOMETH NG SMELLS GOOD
THE CHIL S ON THE STOVE
I WAS TALK NG ABOUT YOU.
OLLIE.
HOW WAS YOJR DAY?
THE BABY S BEEN KICKING SOMETHING FIERCE HE WAS AS W LD AS ROBBY HE JUST WON'T STOP WITH THAT GUN YOU GAVE HIM.
CAN WE PLEASE NOT SHOOT N THE HOUSE?
SORRY, MOM.
A BOY HAS A RESPONS B L TY TO HIS COMMUNITY AND HIS FAMILY.
SO DON'T MESS JP THE KITCHEN
WE GOT A FEW MINUTES BEFORE D NNER. GRAB YOJR BOW. WE'LL ALL HIT THE TARGETS DOWNSTAIRS.
L KE ONE HAPPY FAMILY
"WHAT ARE YA WA TIN' FER, POOZERS?"

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WARNING POWER LEVELS AT 2%
WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING FOR HOURS, AND WITHOUT THE CENTRAL POWER BATTERY TO CHARGE UP!
IT'S GOING TO TAKE WEEKS TO RECONSTRUCT IT.
SO WE GOT NOTHIN' TO FORCE PARALLAX BACK IN.
BUT THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA.
WAY AHEAD OF YOU, JORDAN.
FOLLOW ME.
ONE DAY THE STUDENT WILL BEAT THE TEACHER, SINESTRO.
AND ONE DAY THE GUARDIANS WILL MAKE A JOKE. BUT I WOULDN'T HOLD MY BREATH.
NGG, YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, BIG RED?
A KORUGARIAN'S SENSE OF SMELL IS MUCH MORE ACUTE THAN YOURS, GARDNER. I KNOW IT IS NOT PLEASANT...
...BUT THIS IS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CORPS.
THE YELLOW IMPURITY IS IN ESSENCE A PARASITE.
THE EMBODIMENT OF ABSOLUTE FEAR LOOKING TO INHABIT A HOST AND DESTROY IT FROM THE INSIDE.
SO LET US, AS YOU EARTHMEN SAY, "GIVE IT A TASTE OF ITS OWN MEDICINE."

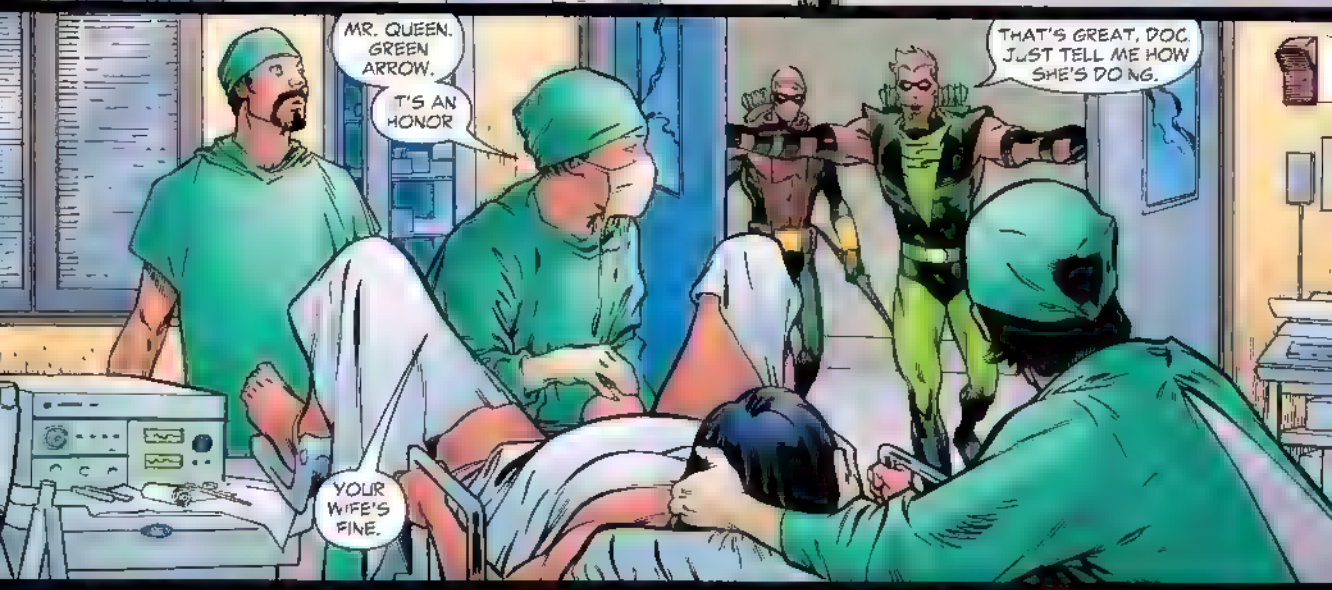
ALL RIGHT, GRUBS! FALL BACK!
WHATTAYA, DEAF? GET OUTTA THE WAY!
KRAAKKOOM
FOR ONCE, I THOUGHT I'D LEAD THE TROOPS.
YOUR INSTINCTS ARE RIGHTEOUS, JORDAN.
YOUR ACTIONS VALIANT.
NEVER LET YOURSELF BELIEVE I AM NOT MORE THAN PROUD TO CALL YOU MY PROTÉGÉ--
--AND MY FRIEND.

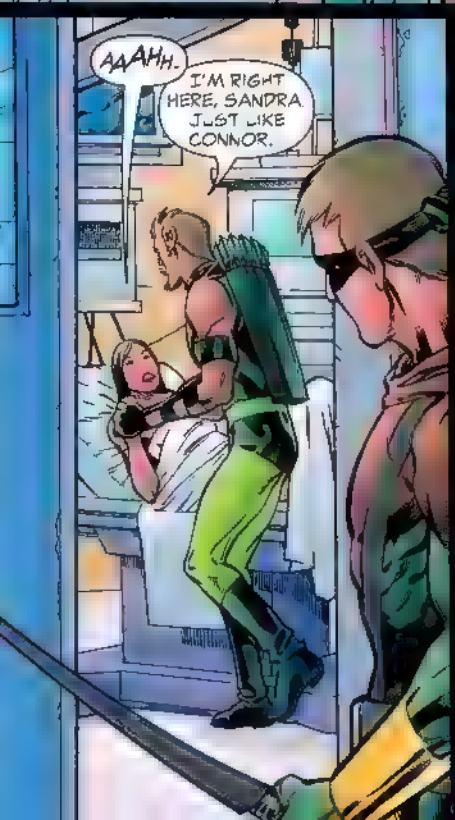
THOSE KIDS ARE GROWING UP SO FAST.
HE'LL BE ELEVEN TOMORROW, MOM. CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?
TIME FLIES, JIM
SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY YOU WERE BEGGING ME TO TEACH YOU HOW TO TALK TO GIRLS
SOMETHING YOU NEVER WERE GOOD AT
THAT WAS HAL'S JOB
WHAT ABOUT YOU, HAL? ARE YOU GOING TO BE BRINGING A DATE?
WHO WAS THAT NICE GIRL AT THE REUNION? JENNIFER?
JENNIFER? SHE'S OLD NEWS, MOM.
WHAT ABOUT MAGGIE?
OLDER.
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO SETTLE DOWN, SON?
AS SOON AS I FIND SOMEONE AS PERFECT AS YOU, MOM.
WATCH IT, HIGHBALL.
THIS BEAUTY'S TAKEN.
HEY, DAD

SO SPILL IT
SPILL WHAT?
WE'VE BEEN IN THE AIR FOR MORE THAN TWENTY MINUTES. NORMALLY YOU'D BE BEGGING TO DO A TAILSLIDE RIGHT NOW
OR AT LEAST COMPLAINING ABOUT YOUR MOTHER BRINGING UP THE DREADED "M" WORD AGAIN
WHAT'S UP?
I DON'T KNOW
SURE YOU DO
IT'S JUST... I GOT THIS BAD FEELING, DAD. SOMETHING'S WRONG
WE SPEND TOO MUCH TIME REGRETTING THE PAST AND WORRYING ABOUT THE FUTURE. YOU KNOW WHAT I ALWAYS TRIED TO TELL YOU--
"WHEN LIFE IS GOOD, YOU HAVE TO ENJOY IT." YEAH, I KNOW, DAD
DAMN RIGHT
THE WORST THING YOU CAN DO, THE ABSOLUTE WORST--
IS WASTE YOUR TIME BEING AFRAID THAT SOMETHING GOOD WILL END

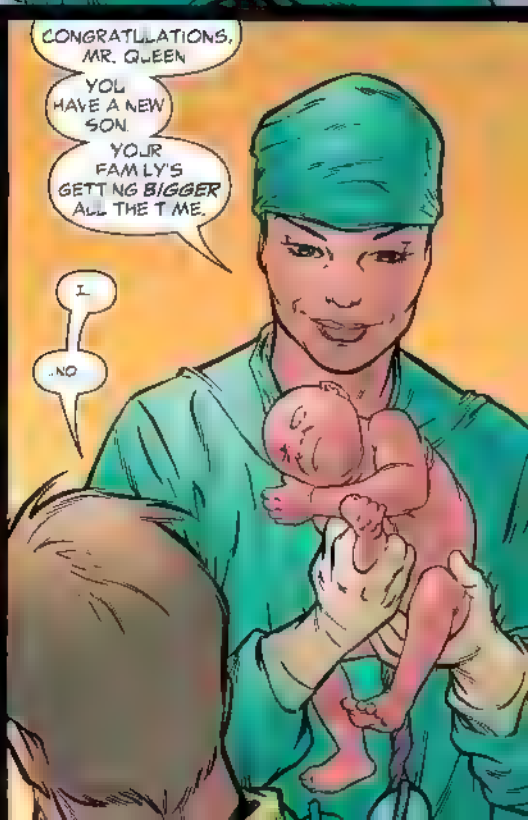
YOU GOTTA ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF IT.
THIS S MONGUL.
SYSTEM READY.
ACTIVATE D.N.A LOCATOR.
PREPARING TO SEARCH SECTORS ONE THROUGH THREE-SIX-ZERO-ZERO.
CURRENT LOCATION SECTOR TWO-EIGHT-ONE-FOUR.
POWER STAR GATE
BIOELECTRIC AURAS PROCESSING.
STAR GATE READY TO RECEIVE.
SEARCHING...
WHERE S SHE?

WHERE'S YOUR MOTHER, CONNOR?
SHE'S IN HERE, DAD.


MR. QUEEN. GREEN ARROW.
T'S AN HONOR
THAT'S GREAT, DOC. JUST TELL ME HOW SHE'S DO NG.
YOUR WIFE'S FINE.


AAAHH.
I'M RIGHT HERE, SANDRA. JUST LIKE CONNOR.

. LIKE CONNOR
I M RIGHT HERE I WAS.
UNNN!


CONGRATULATIONS, MR. QUEEN
YOU HAVE A NEW SON.
YOUR FAM LY'S GETT NG BIGGER ALL THE T ME.
I
.NO

...THIS ISN'T RIGHT.
THIS ISN'T
WAAAAH!
AAARGHH!
WAAAAH!
DAD?
THIS ISN'T ME.
THIS SN'T WHO I AM.
TH S ISN'T MY LIFE!
DAMMIT, I REMEMBER... HAL...
.. HAL? WHERE ARE YO..?

HAL!
GROOOM
GOT SOME TURBULENCE, DAD.
NOT SURE WHERE IT CAME FROM, HAL. HANG--
HAL! WAKE UP!
...OLLE?
GHOOOM
HAL!
I NEED TO BRING IT IN
AWAY FROM THE CROWD.
NO.
THERE'S NO EXTERNAL LEAKAGE. THE INVESTORS ARE WATCHING.
THAT'S FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS AND OUR LAST SIX YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT YOU HAVE IN THE AIR.
KEEP IT FLYING, JORDAN
DAD!
NO!

WAKOOM
NOT AGAIN!
PLEASE NOT AGAIN. NOT
ZHYAKKAFFE
OLLIE...?
MORNIN', SLEEPYHEAD
...IT WASN'T YOU KNEW T WASN'T...

WE WERE CONNECTED TO A SINGLE PLANT. IT ONLY CREATED ONE WORLD FOR US. YOUR WILLPOWER TRUMPS MINE. YOUR DESIRES TOOK OVER.
THE PLANT PUMPED IMAGES INTO MY HEAD OF THE PERFECT LIFE YOU THOUGHT I DESERVED.
. WON THE LOTTERY GAIN.
A FAMILY MAN.
NAME'S SUPERMAN
A GOOD FATHER SOMETHING I'M NOT.
YOU'VE BEEN. DOING YOUR BEST W TH CONNOR.
HAL
.. I WAS THERE THE DAY CONNOR WAS BORN
I KNEW I HAD A SON ..
...AND I LEFT ANYWAY
WHAT? WHY?
BECAUSE I WAS AFRA D
RING. WHAT'S MONGUL DOING TO THESE PEOPLE?
SCHEMATICS SUGGEST BIOELECTRIC COLLECTION CONTINUED EXPOSURE AND DRAINAGE WILL RESULT IN DEATH
WE NEED TO GET THEM FREE--
LET'S SETTLE THIS.

BOOM
MONGUL'S SISTER.
LOOKS LIKE THAT MACHINE TELEPORTED HER HERE.
SO WE'RE ABOUT TO TAKE ON THE BIG HAPPY FAMILY.
BROTHER.
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU.
AND I YOU.
YOU'VE TAKEN WHAT HE LEFT FOR THE BOTH OF US. YOU CULTIVATED FATHER'S BABIES.
TO FIND YOU, DEAR SISTER
I TOLD YOU, I DON'T WANT TO SHARE HIS LEGACY ANYMORE.
HIS NAME IS MINE AND ONLY MINE.
OKAY
NOT SO HAPPY.

YOU KIDS PLAY NICE NOW
BABOOM
NNNGG
NNNGG
THIS S A FAMILY MATTER
THIS DOES NOT CONCERN YOU.
THE M NUTE YOU SET FOOT ON EARTH AGAIN, IT DID.
I'LL TEAR THE SK N FROM YOUR SKULL AND SUCK THE EYES OUT OF YOUR SOCKETS AND I'LL DO THE SAME TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CH LD ON THIS PLANET
THE PLANET THAT MURDERED MY FATHER
THE PLANET THAT MURDERED YOUR FATHER?
HE KILLED MILLIONS OF OTHER FATHERS, AND MOTHERS AND CH LDREN. HE DESTROYED COAST C TY
YES, A SMALL NOTCH ON HIS BELT

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WHOOM
UNN!
SKKKKRRRK
SHUNK
THERE WE GO. FINALLY GOT ONE THAT WORKS.
UH, OH.
FAP
--RRGGG.
LIFE IS ABOUT WHO LIVES.
SKOOM
NOT WHO DIES!

BECAUSE YOU ARE MY BROTHER'S ENEMY...
--I SHALL END THIS QUICKLY.
BAH! I WILL KILL MY OPPONENT BEFORE YOU KILL YOURS, SISTER!
SHUT UP ALREADY
BWAPTCH
AGH!
FWASHHH
THANKS
AAAGH!
CATCH, GORGEOUS

KRAAKKK
RING SEVER THE VINES AND ACTIVATE THE STAR GATE.
THOOM
KKRAKKKLL
BOOOM
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BOOOM

I WONDER WHERE THEY WENT
FAMILY IS A WEAKNESS.
WHEREVER IT WAS--
--THEY WENT TOGETHER.
KLNCH
AND I WILL HAVE NO WEAKNESS
GOODBYE, SISTER.

IT FELT SO REAL.
I KNOW IT DID
I THOUGHT I COULD HANDLE IT.
YOU DIDN'T WANT TO ADMIT YOU WERE STILL MISSING SOMETHING
TRUST ME, I KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO TRY TO PUT YOUR LIFE BACK TOGETHER.
IT'S NOT EASY.
I NEVER GOT THE CHANCE TO SAY GOODBYE TO ANY OF THEM.
BUT YOU STILL HAVE FAMILY, HAL.
I HATE TO SAY MONGUL SAID ANYTHING OF VALUE, BUT LIFE IS FOR THE LIVING
YOUR BROTHER AND HIS WIFE AND THAT NIECE AND NEPHEW OF YOURS. HELL, YOU BLEW THEM OFF YESTERDAY BECAUSE YOU WERE DETERMINED TO CRACK OPEN MONGUL'S SKULL.
MAYBE YOU SHOULD STOP FOCUSING ON THE FAMILY YOU CAN'T HAVE--
--AND START FOCUSING ON THE ONE YOU CAN.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY HOWARD.
UNCLE HAL!
SORRY I'M LATE, KID.
HAL. YOU MADE IT.
IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU
YOU TOO, SUSAN
NO WAY!
A FOOTBALL!
A FOOTBALL?! FOOTBALLS ARE DANGEROUS I TOLD HIM HE COULDN'T--
WHAT? THAT'S ALL YOU AND JACK DID EVERY DAY AFTER SCHOOL.
YOU USED TO HAVE A PRETTY GOOD ARM IF I REMEMBER
YOU PLAYED FOOTBALL?
NO WAY
C'MON, BRO.
LET'S SHOW HIM THAT ARM.

CONNOR? IT'S, .
IT'S DAD
YOU HUNGRY?

GOTHAM CITY
GET OUTTA MY WAY!
WATCH IT! WATCH IT!
MADE IT I MADE IT.
NF=!
DON'T WORRY NOW

THIS WON'T HURT A BT
YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD
BRANDED

THE PLANET OA
KLANG
CENTRAL PRECINCT OF THE GREEN LANTERN CORPS
YOU DO REAL ZE HOW MUCH A PERSONAL POWER BATTERY COSTS, DON'T YOU?
ALMOST THREE ROTOX
THAT'S OVER ONE-HUNDRED-SEVENTY-SEVEN MILL ON AMERICAN DOLLARS
TAKE IT OUT OF MY NEXT PAYCHECK.
JORDAN!
SLOPPY RINGSLINGIN', SQUAB!
LIKE IT'S NOT BUSY ENOUGH AROUND HERE. NOW I GOTTA FILL OUT PAPERWORK FOR A NEW BATTERY YER LUCKY I ONLY GOT TWENTY ARMS
'F I HAD TWENTY-ONE, YOU'D GET SLAPPED!
FRIENDLY GUY.
SHORM HAS A JOB TO DO JUST LIKE ME AND YOU.
I'VE BEEN MONITORING YOUR PERFORMANCE.
THEN YOU SAW WHAT THOSE KROLOTEAN SCIENTISTS WERE DOING TO THE SHARK, HECTOR HAMMOND AND BLACK HAND. YOU SAW MONGUL--
YES, YOU HAVE PERFORMED YOUR ASSIGNED DUTY, BUT STILL...
...WE NEED TO DISCUSS SOMETHING
SOMETHING UNPLEASANT.

I'M GOING TO IGNORE MY DUTIES AS KEEPER OF THE BOOK OF OA AND MONITOR OF GREEN LANTERN PROCEDURE AND PERFORMANCE--
--AND I AM GOING TO SPEAK AS A FRIEND WHO HAS KNOWN YOU SINCE YOU FIRST JOINED THE CORPS.
YOU HAVE BEEN OFFICIALLY STRIPPED OF THE LABEL OF RENEGADE BY THE GUARDIANS
BUT THE FACTS ABOUT WHAT YOU DID TO THE CORPS, WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU BECAME INFECTED BY PARALLAX, WILL EVENTUALLY SPREAD AMONG THE NEW SEVEN POINT TWO THOUSAND APPOINTED GREEN LANTERNS
SOME OF THE VETS HAVE ALREADY STARTED TO TALK.
WORD SPREADS QUICKLY THROUGH THE HALLS OF THE CITADEL
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
I'M SAYING, THE NEXT TIME YOU'RE ON OA--
--YOU MIGHT WANT TO WATCH YOUR BACK
AND THAT'S NEW?

GOTHAM CITY
YOU SHOULD REALLY WORK WITH A LIGHT ON
COULD RUIN YOUR EYES.

GREEN ARROW SAID YOU WANTED TO SEE ME.
YOU KNOW, YOU COULD'VE CALLED YOURSELF. I'M SURE YOU HAVE MY NUMBER
OLLIE'S IS STILL ON SPEED DIAL
RIGHT.
HOW'S ALFRED?
FINE.
HE USED TO MAKE THE BEST HONEY TEA. ANY CHANCE OF--
YESTERDAY, WITNESSES SAID LOU ROSEN WAS CHASED THROUGH THE STREETS OF GOTHAM BY A SABER-TOOTH TIGER.
OKAY
HE TRIED TO ESCAPE BY HOPPING A RIDE ON A BUMP
BUT A FLYING SKULL WITH BAT WINGS KNOCKED HIM OFF.
WHEN THEY RECOVERED HIS BODY IT HAD THIS TATTOOED ONTO IT
Weakness Women
"WEAKNESS. WOMEN"?
WHY WRITE THAT ON HIS CHEST?
ROSEN WAS HAVING AN AFFAIR WITH HIS ASSISTANT
SO WHO DID THIS? JEALOUS WIFE?
NO. ROSEN WAS AN ACCOUNTANT FOR TOBIAS WHALE. HE WAS ABOUT TO TURN STATE'S EVIDENCE. THERE WAS A PRICE ON HIS HEAD
THE TATTOOING ACROSS THE BODY IS THE HIT MAN'S M.O.
"RUDE TO WAITERS"? YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME.
Weakness Gambling
Weakness Rude to Waiters
Weakness Theft
HE CALLS HIMSELF THE TATTOOED MAN.

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THIS ISN'T THE TATTOOED MAN I KNOW. ABEL TARRANT...HE'S IN BLACKGATE.
AND HE'S BEEN TRYING TO GO STRAIGHT FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER
THOUGH HE'S FALLEN OFF THE WAGON ONCE OR TWICE.
THIS ONE'S NAME IS MARK RICHARDS. FORMER U.S. MARINE.
RICHARDS WENT MISSING AFTER HIS HELICOPTER CRASHED DURING THE SUBSONIC WARS IN SOUTHERN MODORA THREE YEARS AGO. THE BODIES OF HIS FELLOW SOLDIERS WERE FOUND SLAIN AND MARKED IN TRIBAL TATTOOS.
RICHARDS WAS NEVER RECOVERED AND PRESUMED DEAD...UNTIL HIS FINGERPRINTS WERE FOUND AT A CRIME SCENE LAST MONTH.
NO ONE KNOWS HOW HE GOT LIKE THIS OR WHY
BUT I WANT HIM OUT OF GOTHAM. I'VE MANAGED TO TRACK HIM TO THE CITYSIDE MOTEL.
SO LET'S GO OUT THERE AND DRAG THIS IDIOT IN.
I HAVE OTHER THINGS TO DO, JORDAN.
YOU KNOW, YOU USED TO CALL ME HAL.
THE TATTOOED MAN IS WAITING
I DON'T EVEN KNOW THIS GUY, BRUCE.
YOU WANTED TO PUT THAT RING BACK ON AND PLAY HAPPY SUPER-HERO.
I'M GIVING YOU THAT CHANCE
I'M NOT ROBIN, OR A MEMBER OF THE JUSTICE LEAGUE I'M A GREEN LANTERN.
AND YOUR BIG SCARY ACT
. DOESN'T WORK ON ME.

KA-KAK
WE'RE EVEN
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME
NOW CAN WE GO CATCH THE BAD GUY?
I'LL DRIVE

BOOM
DOES THIS SEAT MOVE BACK?
ROBIN USUALLY SITS THERE
KLK
I THOUGHT YOUR SIDEKICK WAS TALLER
WE'RE GOING TO REACH SPEEDS TOPPING ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY
BUCKLE UP.
I'M WEARING THE RING. IT DOESN'T GET ANY SAFER, BRUCE
KREEEE
FUMP
YOU'RE FUNNY.
I TRY.

WHY ARE WE *DRIVING* ANYWAY? I COULD FLY US THERE IN HALF THE TIME.
YOU *GLOW*. THEY'D SEE YOU COMING A MILE AWAY.
I *WANT* THEM TO.
THAT WAY THEY CHARGE AT *ME* INSTEAD OF SOMEONE *ELSE*.
JUST D'M T DOWN
Y'KNOW, IT'S EASIER TO DRAW THEM OUT THAN TO GO HUNTING.
NOT IF YOU HAVE PATIENCE
SPEAKING OF WHICH, I THOUGHT YOU SAID THIS THING WAS FAST
HAVE YOU GIVEN *ANY* THOUGHT AT ALL ON HOW YOU'RE GOING TO BRING THE TATTOOED MAN IN?
I'M GOING TO HIT HIM REALLY, REALLY HARD WITH A BIG GREEN BOXING GLOVE.
I'M KIDDING.
ONE OF HIS TATTOOS TORE APART A SKYSCRAPER IN NEW YORK, ANOTHER RIPPED A SUBWAY CAR RIGHT OUT OF THE GROUND. THAT'S HOW *POWERFUL* THESE THINGS ARE.
AND FROM WHAT I CAN TELL, HE'S GOT *HUNDREDS* OF THEM.
WE *NEED* A STRATEGY. I *DON'T* WANT ANY BUILDINGS FALLING IN GOTHAM. SO LET'S FIGURE OUT A PLAN *TOGETHER*
--OR LET'S *NOT*.

JOB'S DONE, TOBIAS.
BZZZZ
AND I HAVE YOUR NEXT TARGET...
..HARVEY DENT
NO NO, I DON'T NEED SOMETHING ON THIS GUY.
HE'S DONE PLENTY BAD BEFORE THE SURGERY
HIS SINS WILL BE GRAFTED ONTO MY SKIN LIKE THE OTHERS.
AND I'LL SAVE HIS SOUL.
FWASH
TATTOOED MAN.
COME OUT WITH YOUR HANDS UP AND SAVE YOURSELF SOME TROUBLE.

KREEEEEE
HGGG
YOU'RE NOT THE ONE I EXPECTED.
SKRIKK
SKKRIKKK
THOUGHT THESE THINGS WERE SUPPOSED TO BE TOUGH
OF COURSE, I SEE THOSE DOG TAGS YOU'RE A GRUNT.
SO THIS IS PROBABLY ALL YOU GOT.
I SEE A WEAKNESS

ARROGANCE.

YES
THEY SENSE GREAT SIN N YOU.
SHUNK
ME AND THE NEXT GUY
AARH!
NO YOURS ARE DIFFERENT.
THERE'S BLOOD ON YOUR HANDS A LOT OF BLOOD.
YOUR SINS WILL BE AMONG MY GREATEST DESIGNS--
--ONCE YOU'RE DEAD.

BOO.
UGL
KRAK
THOOM
YOU THINK I'M JUST TATTOOS?
SKRASH
SKASH

AND YOU THINK THIS IS JUST A BOOT?
SKRAK
PAIN DOESN'T BOTHER ME
I LIVED THROUGH MONTHS OF TORTURE BY THE KRILTRIBES OF MODORA.
AND I WAS WELCOMED IN AS ONE OF THEIR OWN.
THEY TAUGHT ME THE ART OF SIN GRAFTING...
BATMAN, ANYTIME WOULD BE GOOD.
OF BURNING SINS ONTO MY FLESH. THEY BECOME MINE TO BE BURDENED WITH SO THAT SOULS MIGHT BE SAVED.
BOK
SHHRRIP
I SEE YOUR SINS TOO, BATMAN..
YOU HAVE SO MANY.

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GOOD. SAY HELLO FOR ME.
KRAK
ABOUT T ME
I TAKE ON THE TATTOOS... YOU TAKE ON THE MAN.
GREAT "PLAN."
I DON'T USUALLY BLEED THIS MUCH ON A TEAM-UP

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LATER...
BEFORE I GO, I WANT TO SHOW YOU SOMETHING.
WHAT?
NO, THANKS
IT WON'T HURT
YOU GOING TO HIT ME IF I DON'T?
YOU SCARED OF A RING?
CLEAR YOUR HEAD THEN PICTURE SOMETHING
IT'S NOT WORKING.
THIS ISN'T
YOU AND I ARE DIFFERENT.
BUT WE HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON. WE BOTH WATCHED SOMETHING HAPPEN WE COULDN'T STOP.
SOMETHING WE WANTED TO STOP.
YOU DON'T THINK ABOUT IT
YOU HAVE TO FORGET IT?
YOU CAN'T FORGET IT BUT YOU CAN, AT LEAST FOR THAT SPLIT SECOND WHEN YOUR IMAGINATION TAKES OVER, LIVE WITH IT.
REMEMBER WHEN THE BATMAN WAS BORN.
REMEMBER WHY.
THE RING HELPED ME OVERCOME MY GREATEST FEAR.
IT CAN HELP YOU OVERCOME YOURS TOO
YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT THAT TO GET THIS TO WORK?
THIS IS TWISTED.

ARGHHH!
TAKE CONTROL OF T.
PUT THAT HORR BLE N GHT BEHIND YOU, BRUCE
NNNN.

AAAAAHH!
I DON'T WANT TO

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ONE YEAR LATER.
MY NAME S HAL JORDAN.
I'M A COP WITH A BLACK MARK ON H S RECORD
A BIG ONE
YOU'RE ONLY MAKING THIS HARD ON YOURSELF, PAL.
I WAS RECRUITED BY A DYING ALIEN NTO THE GREEN LANTERN CORPS BECAUSE THE RING HE GAVE ME SAID I HAD THE POTENTIAL TO OVERCOME GREAT FEAR.
YOU'RE VAPOR, LANTERN
I THOUGHT I UNDERSTOOD WHAT THAT MEANT.
FIVE MONTHS AGO I FOUND OUT FOR SURE.
WHO PUT A PR CE ON MY HEAD, I MAN?
WHO HIRED YOU?
COLD-BLOODED PR MITIVE!
AND TOMORROW I'M SUPPOSED TO SM LE ABOUT IT
BOOM!
NGGG.
GREEN LANTERN.

YOU ARE UNDER ARREST
REVENGE OF THE GREEN LANTERNS

ROCKET REDS.
YOU HAVE ENTERED RUSSIAN AIR SPACE.
WE HAVE WARNED YOU, AMERICAN, AS WE WARNED YOUR PARTNER
THEY'RE GOOD, BUT THEY'RE PREDICTABLE. SAME ATTACK FORMATION AS LAST TIME.
WE ARE CURRENTLY IN PURSUIT OF REG H'RR, A.K.A. THE IGNEOUS MAN.
I'LL BE ON MY WAY IN A SECOND RING, FILL 'EM IN
AN ASSASSIN FROM THE SOLAR CITIES WITHIN THE ANDROMEDA SUN. HE IS WANTED IN SEVENTEEN SECTORS FOR MURDER
WE ARE WELL AWARE OF THE IGNEOUS MAN. HE HAS BEEN LURKING IN CHERNOBYL FOR WEEKS.
APPARENTLY SEARCHING FOR A MORE COMFORTABLE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT
HE WILL BE OUR PRISONER NOT YOURS
CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN
I NEED INFORMATION.
AND THE LAST EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL THE ROCKET REDS GOT THEIR HANDS ON WAS AN ARMS DEALER FROM DRYAD.
RUMORS SAY HE WAS DISSECTED AND SOLD TO A DOZEN DIFFERENT LABS ACROSS THE FORMER SOVIET UNION. THE REDS POCKETED THE EXTRA CASH
GUESS THEY JUST DON'T PAY SOLDIERS LIKE THEY USED TO.
MELT.
ACTUALLY, I KNOW THEY DON'T
AARRGHH!

YOU HAVE NO AUTHORITY HERE, AMERICAN.
SEE THE BADGE?
RIGHT NOW, I'M NOT AN "AMERICAN."
I'M A GREEN LANTERN.
KRSHH
I GO FOR THE R PRIDE. SPARK UP A HAMMER AND SICKLE. IT P.SSES THEM OFF AND SHAKES THEIR FOCUS
MY RING TRANSLATES THEIR CURSE WORDS
SHAK
THEY MAKE IT FEEL LIKE A REAL FIGHT.
EVEN IF IT'S NOT A FAIR ONE
LOST SIGHT OF THE PERP
GOTTA CLEAR MY FIELD OF VIEW AND--
FWAM
AW, HELL
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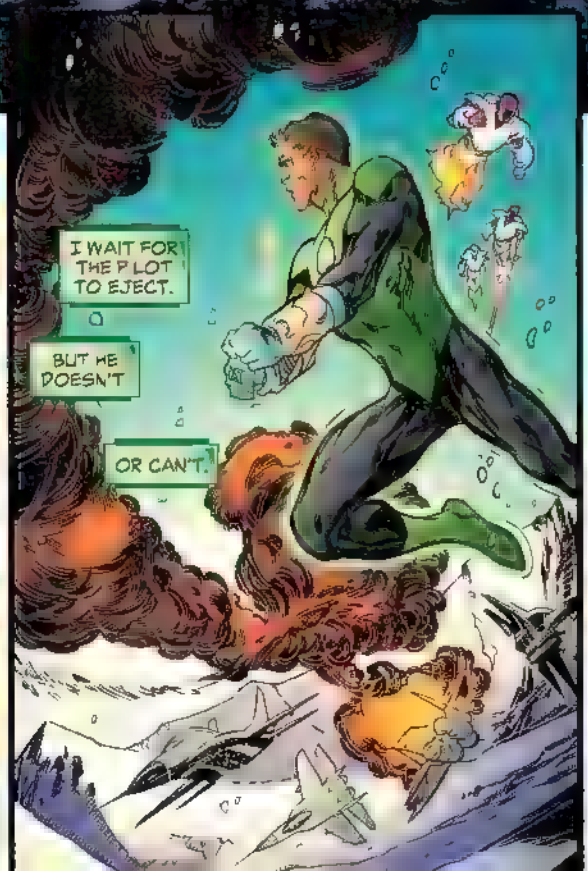
BOOOM!

IGNEOUS MAN'S MELTING THE WINGS OFF THEIR PLANES
AND THE ARMOR OFF THE REDS
FZZZ!


I WAIT FOR THE PILOT TO EJECT.
BUT HE DOESN'T
OR CAN'T.

KYLE THOUGHT I WAS CRAZY FOR FLYING ONE OF THESE THINGS WITHOUT THE RING BUT THE KID, LIKE ALWAYS, SHRUGGED OFF WORRY, FOLLOWED ME AND CLIMBED ABOARD
HE PUT HIS HELMET ON A LITTLE TOO TIGHT CHECKED THE SEAT BELT TWICE
WHEN HE ASKED ME WHERE THE EJECTION LEVER WAS, I COULDN'T REMEMBER
NEVER THOUGHT I'D HAVE TO USE THE DAMN THING
KEEP YOUR MEN CLEAR HE'LL BURN ALL THE OXYGEN OUT TRYING TO GET FREE
I'LL STABILIZE THE MIG--
SUKIN SYN
YOU TRY TO TAKE OUR PLANES DOWN?
WHAK
I'M TRYING TO HELP KEEP IT IN THE AIR
SHRAAK
SHRAAK
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN FLY OR DIE
COME ON.
FLY, YOU HUNK OF JUNK
AS THE ENGINE ROARS--

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--DÉJÀ VU SETS IN.
KRAKK
.. REPEAT, I'M GOING DOWN I'M--
KRRAAKKOOWWM
AND IT ECHOES N MY HEAD
UNN
I NEVER WEAR THE R NG WHEN I FLY.
BOOM
COWGIRL..

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COWGIRL?!?
...ACCORDING TO THE RUSSIAN NEWS AGENCY, THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM KNOWN AS THE ROCKET RED BRIGADE INTERCEPTED GREEN LANTERN AS HE ENTERED THEIR AIRSPACE IN PURSUIT OF THE IGNEOUS MAN.
DAMMIT
THIS MARKS THE SIXTH TIME THIS MONTH THAT GREEN LANTERN HAS VIOLATED THE FREEDOM OF POWER TREATY.
THE GLOBAL GUARDIANS ISSUED A STATEMENT CONCERNING GREEN LANTERN'S ACTIONS AT A U.N PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY...
YES, IT IS INCREASINGLY FRUSTRATING FOR MY TEAM.
WE HAVE BEEN WORKING DAY AND NIGHT TO PROVE TO THE WORLD THAT THIS TREATY IS UNNECESSARY. THAT META-HUMANS CAN ACT RESPONSIBLY WITHOUT GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS.
GREEN LANTERN'S GOING AGAINST EVERYTHING WE STAND FOR AND IF THE U.S WON'T CONDEMN HIS ACTIONS, THE GLOBAL GUARDIANS WILL.
YOU'RE UP.

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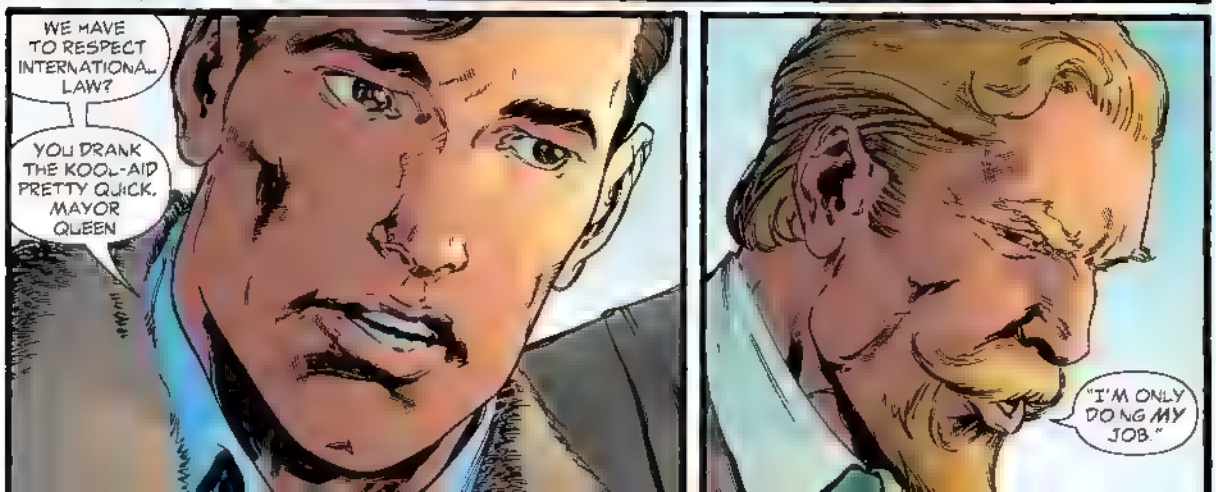
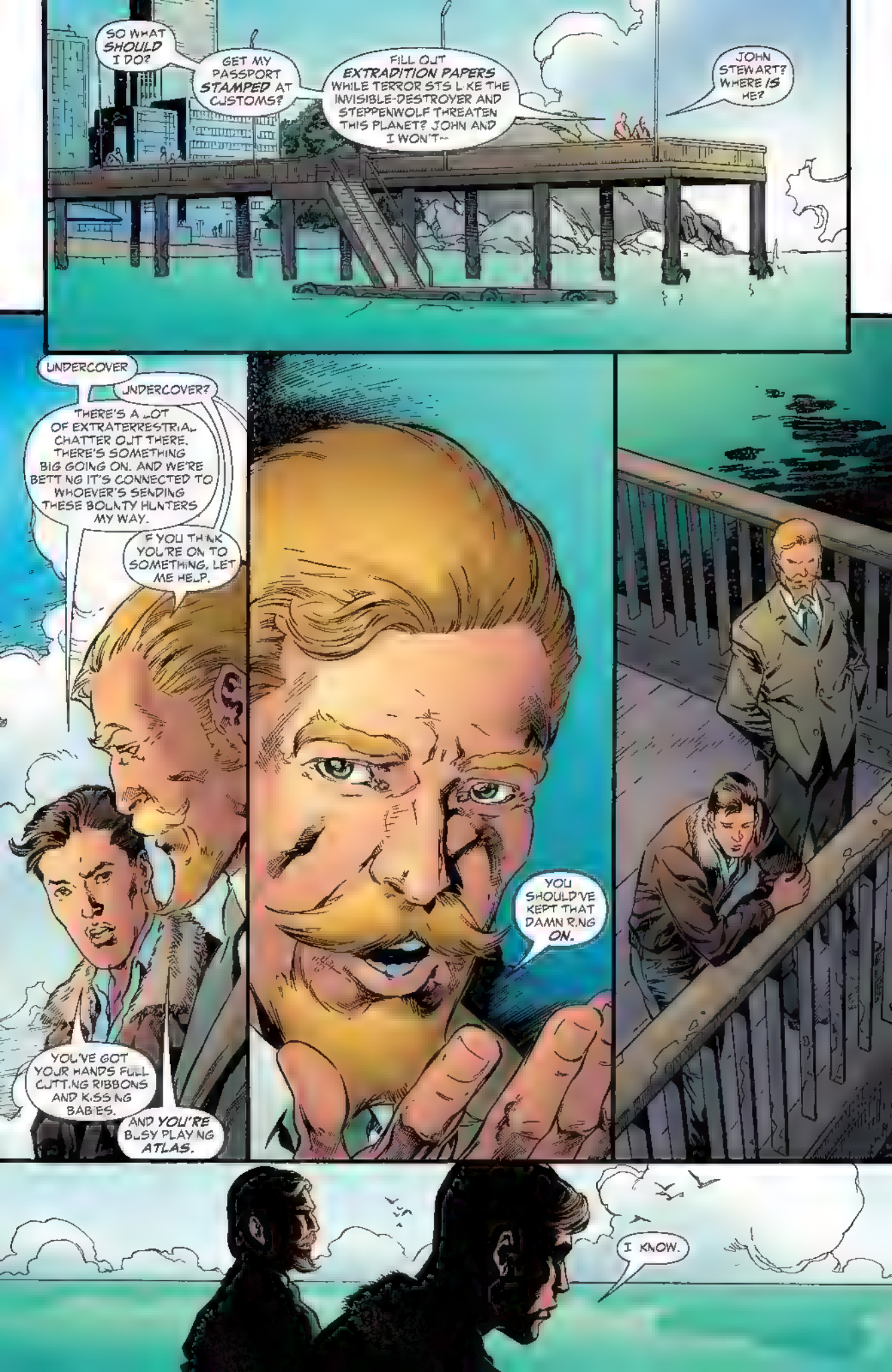
OLLIE DOESN'T ASK ME WHO THE GIRL WAS OR DETAILS ABOUT THE NIGHT
I WOULD'VE BEEN THE FIRST THING HE DID BACK IN THE DAY. DURING THE ROAD TRIPS AND SOCIAL CRUSADES AND SMALL-TOWN WAITRESSES WHO WERE JUST HAPPY TO SEE A NEW FACE.
HE GIVES ME THE LOOK HE USED TO GIVE ROY WHEN HE MISSED THE BULL'S-EYE.
I MIGHT DESERVE IT, BUT I DON'T LIKE IT
I'M ONLY DOING MY JOB
I KNOW, PAL, BUT YOU'RE MAKING EVERYONE ELSE'S HARDER.
AMERICA WELCOMES US WITH OPEN ARMS. BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF COUNTRIES NOW THAT DON'T.

CORSE CITY
BAR & GRILL
THERE'S A HANDFUL OF COUNTRIES THAT ARE STILL HOLDING ON TO THE FREEDOM OF POWER TREATY--
THAT TREATY IS A JOKE. LOOK WHO WROTE IT.
IT ILLEGALIZES AMERICAN METAHUMAN ACTIVITY IN THE COUNTRIES THAT ADOPTED IT. LIKE IT OR NOT, WE HAVE TO RESPECT INTERNATIONAL LAW


WE HAVE TO RESPECT INTERNATIONAL LAW?
YOU DRANK THE KOOL-AID PRETTY QUICK, MAYOR QUEEN
"I'M ONLY DOING MY JOB."

SOMEONE PUT A PRICE ON MY HEAD, OLLIE. THE IGNEOUS MAN TRIED TO CASH IN YESTERDAY. THE FACELESS HUNTER WAS ON MY ASS THE WEEK BEFORE.
I'VE BEEN THROWING THESE GUYS INTO CELLS ON THEIR HEADS, BUT NO ONE'S TALKING.
SO WHO WOULD WANT YOU DEAD?
WHO WOULD WANT HAL JORDAN DEAD?
THAT'S A LONG LIST
WHOSE FAULT IS THAT?
FOR THE LAST YEAR... WELL, MOST OF IT... YOU'VE BEEN CROSSCROSSING BORDERS AND RUFFLING FEATHERS.
WHEN THE UNIFORM'S ON, BORDERS DON'T EXIST.
IF EVIL STAR HEADS INTO CHINA TO STEAL A NUCLEAR REACTOR, THAT'S WHERE GREEN LANTERN HAS TO GO.
YOU DO REMEMBER THAT THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA NEVER JUST STAYED IN AMERICA. HELL, WE DIDN'T STAY IN THIS DIMENSION.
AND WITH SUPERMAN, BATMAN AND WONDER WOMAN GONE, I'VE HAD TO TAKE UP A LOT OF SLACK.
WHO SAID YOU HAD TO?
PEOPLE ARE GETTING NERVOUS.
PEOPLE WITH CAPES.
NAME ONE BESIDES ALAN.
ME.
AND YOU KNOW DAMN WELL THAT ALAN HAS HIS REASONS.


SO WHAT SHOULD I DO?
GET MY PASSPORT STAMPED AT CUSTOMS?
FILL OUT EXTRADITION PAPERS WHILE TERRORISTS LIKE THE INVISIBLE-DESTROYER AND STEPPENWOLF THREATEN THIS PLANET? JOHN AND I WON'T--
JOHN STEWART? WHERE IS HE?
UNDERCOVER
UNDERCOVER?
THERE'S A LOT OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL CHATTER OUT THERE. THERE'S SOMETHING BIG GOING ON. AND WE'RE BETTING IT'S CONNECTED TO WHOEVER'S SENDING THESE BOUNTY HUNTERS MY WAY.
IF YOU THINK YOU'RE ON TO SOMETHING, LET ME HELP.
YOU'VE GOT YOUR HANDS FULL CUTTING RIBBONS AND KISSING BABIES.
AND YOU'RE BUSY PLAYING ATLAS.
YOU SHOULD'VE KEPT THAT DAMN RING ON.
I KNOW.

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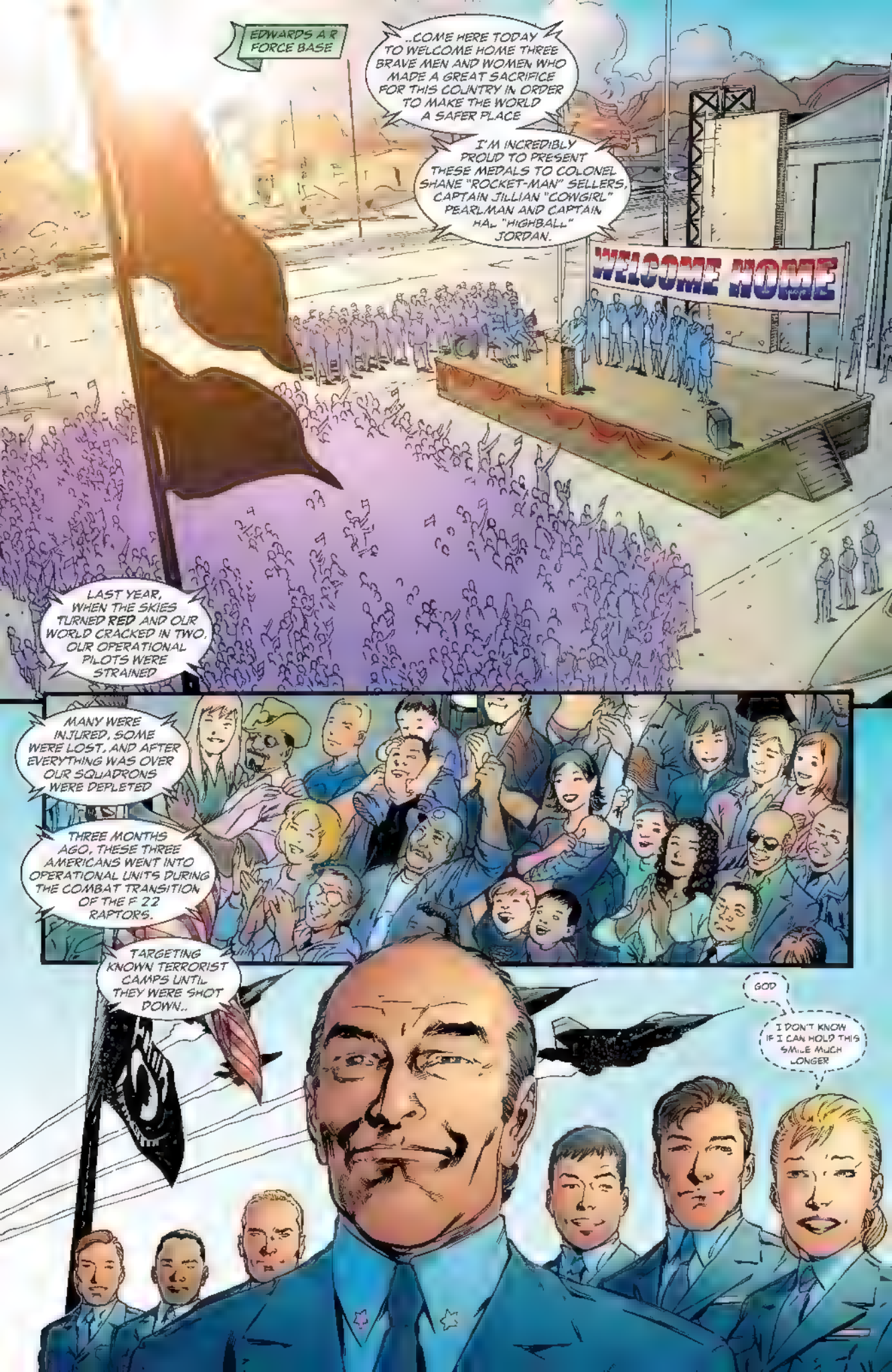
ARKILLO OF THE PLANET VORN.
YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO INSTILL GREAT FEAR.

WELCOME TO THE SINESTRO CORPS.


EDWARDS A R FORCE BASE
..COME HERE TODAY TO WELCOME HOME THREE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO MADE A GREAT SACRIFICE FOR THIS COUNTRY IN ORDER TO MAKE THE WORLD A SAFER PLACE
I'M INCREDIBLY PROUD TO PRESENT THESE MEDALS TO COLONEL SHANE "ROCKET-MAN" SELLERS, CAPTAIN JILLIAN "COWGIRL" PEARLMAN AND CAPTAIN HAL "HIGHBALL" JORDAN.
WELCOME HOME
LAST YEAR, WHEN THE SKIES TURNED RED AND OUR WORLD CRACKED IN TWO, OUR OPERATIONAL PILOTS WERE STRAINED
MANY WERE INJURED, SOME WERE LOST, AND AFTER EVERYTHING WAS OVER OUR SQUADRONS WERE DEPLETED
THREE MONTHS AGO, THESE THREE AMERICANS WENT INTO OPERATIONAL UNITS DURING THE COMBAT TRANSITION OF THE F-22 RAPTORS.
TARGETING KNOWN TERRORIST CAMPS UNTIL THEY WERE SHOT DOWN..
GOD
I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN HOLD THIS SMILE MUCH LONGER

YOUR DAD'S WATCHING.
WHO'S IN FOR A BEER AFTER THIS?
FIRST ROUND'S ON ME, ROCKET-MAN.
YOU GOTTA STOP CALLING ME THAT
IT'S YOUR CALL SIGN. WE'RE ON BASE
WITH THE PINS IN MY LEG, MY SHUTTLE'S FLOWN. TRANSFER'S DEAD. NASA DOESN'T WANT ME ANYMORE.
MY KIDS USED TO ASK ME EVERY DAY, "WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO THE MOON, DAD?"
MY WIFE TOLD THEM THAT'S WHERE I WAS
ON THE MOON.
SOME OF THOSE NIGHTS DURING THAT MONTH, THAT'S WHERE I PUT MYSELF.
I WAS BACK HOME.
ON MY PARENTS' RANCH RIDING THIS HORSE, THIS WHITE STALLION THEY USED TO HAVE
WISH I COULD REMEMBER HIS NAME.
HE'D TAKE OFF LIKE A FIRECRACKER, CHASING F-16S FROM GOODFELLOW IN THE SKY.
SEEMED LIKE I WAS ALWAYS CHASIN' AFTER SOMETHIN'.
UNTIL THE BOYS DECIDED TO START CHASIN' AFTER ME.
BEEN MOVIN' AS FAST AS I CAN EVER SINCE.
'COURSE NO ONE EVER CAUGHT UP. NOT 'TIL THIS.
NONE OF THIS SHOULD'VE HAPPENED

HEY, WE MADE IT, RIGHT? WE'RE GONNA BE FINE.
I SHOULD'VE DONE SOMETHING.
"DONE SOMETHING?" YOU DID, HIGHBALL.
YOU STILL HAVE IT, DON'T YOU?
GOT MINE RIGHT HERE.
YEAH.
...AND NOW I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THE P.O.W. MEDAL--
HEY.
Y'ALL HEAR THAT?

BROOOO

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OA.
TOMAR-TU.
GREEN LANTERN OF SECTOR 2813.
BY ALL ACCOUNTS, HE SHOULD BE DEAD.
WHAT INFORMATION WE WERE ABLE TO LOG IN FROM TOMAR-TU'S RING SUGGESTS A TRAJECTORY BEGINNING JUST OUTSIDE THE PERIMETER OF SPACE SECTOR 3600.
WHERE'D HE GET THE RING, SALAAK?
APPARENTLY ON AN UNCHARTED PLANET WHERE HE WAS HELD CAPTIVE BY THE MANHUNTERS.
FROM THERE, WITH HIS RING DEPLETED, TOMAR-TU MANAGED TO ESCAPE AND FLY A SHIP HALFWAY ACROSS THE UNIVERSE. TO EARTH.
TO YOU.
I SUPPOSE HE WAS SEEKING OUT YOUR ASSISTANCE.
K-K-KILL HIM.
I WILL KILL HAL JORDAN!
OR NOT.

HEARD TOMAR-TU'S GONNA PULL THROUGH.
THAT'S GOOD NEWS.
YO!
WHAT ARE THE SPECIALS, GREET?
FOR TERRESTRIALS? PRIME RIB AND ROASTED CORN.
GOTTA GIVE THEM POINTS FOR TRYING TO REPLICATE EARTH FOOD.
THEY CAN'T FIGURE OUT BREAD, AND THEIR BEER'S FOR CRAP, BUT THEY GOT A DECENT STEAK.
THIS IS MY FAULT, GUY.
WHAT? WHAT IS?
TOMAR-TU. HAVING TO REBUILD THE GREEN LANTERN CORPS.
ALL OF THIS.
GUY TRIES TO SHRUG IT OFF, OR AT LEAST PRETEND HE DOES.
HE FORGAVE ME FASTER THAN ANYONE ELSE FOR WHAT HAPPENED. I THOUGHT HE WOULD'VE BEEN LAST.
FUNNY HOW THE PEOPLE YOU THINK YOU KNOW BEST STILL SURPRISE YOU.
THAT'S WHAT THE WORLD SAID ABOUT ME WHEN IT WENT DOWN. COAST CITY GETS NUKED. MILLIONS DIE.
FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE I WAS A KID, I LET FEAR OVERCOME ME.
AND THE YELLOW IMPURITY FLOWING THROUGH OUR RINGS LATCHED ON TO IT.